

Columbia River Closure Study

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Phases

1. Existing river operations will be catalogued.
2. During the four months prior to the closure (August through November), the shippers planned reactions and coping strategies will be catalogued.
3. During the closure (December through March), the actual changes in commodity flows, modal usage and rates will be analyzed.
4. After the river is returned to operational status, the extent and pace of restarting of shipping for each commodity along the river will be examined.

Reports

Interim status reports will be available after each phase.

Final report will include any valid conclusions that can be made about:

- The value of the river system.
- The impact of losing this mode, even temporarily.
- Possible long lasting changes in shipping modes that may result from the temporary closure.

Questions?

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